# THURSTON COUNTY MEDIC ONE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE ~ MEETING MINUTES MEDIC ONE OFFICE November 3, 2017

PRESENT: Greg Wright, Steve Brooks, Scott LaVielle, Chris Clem, Larry Fontanilla, Brian VanCamp, John Wood,

Malloree Fontanilla, Keith Flewelling, Stewart Mason, Alex Christiansen

**ABSENT:** Russ Kaleiwahea, Dave Pearsall

**EXCUSED:** Kathy Pace

**GUESTS:** Mike Matousek, Mike Buchanan

**STAFF:** Alan Provencher, Anna Lee Drewry, Ben Miller-Todd, Sandra Bush

I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL – Chair Wright called the regular meeting of the Operations Committee to order at 2:05 PM. Staff recorded roll.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA -MSC Wright added GEMT to New Business, and changed the other New Business items presenter to Bush/Drewry. (Brooks/Wood) move to approve and this carried unanimously.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – None

# IV. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. Operations Committee October 5, 2017 **MSC** (VanCamp/Brooks) moved to approve as submitted, and this carried unanimously.
- 2. EMS Council There was no October meeting.

## V. COMMITTEE REPORTS

 WEST REGION – Brooks reported: Council will meet in December, and the conference planning is still on going.

# **B. SUBCOMMITTES**

- 1. Equipment Committee (EqC) None
- Mass Casualty Incident (MCI) Committee LaVielle reported: 1) The new MCI plan has been submitted to Medic One. 2) MSO's are meeting monthly and will incorporate some of the minor changes that were done with the plan. 3) There will be 3 MCI drills in 2018; June, July & August, at the Olympia training center. 4) Brooks asked Anna Lee if the Protocol App can be updated to include the MCI plan.
- 3. Training Advisory Committee (TAC) Anna Lee reported: 1) A retreat was held on October 26<sup>th</sup>, with the following topics for 2018; MCI, Epi draw, and Endocrine, Sepsis and ACS as well.
- 4. Transportation Resource Utilization Committee (TRU) Brooks reported: 1) There will be a roll out for a new call type for CPR, and TCOMM has put this into CAD. 2) November 8<sup>th</sup> will be the roll out date for removal of private ambulance resources from the BLS yellow call type. 3) Olympic Ambulance and AMR now have mobile comm terminals in their dispatch centers. 4) TRU will not meet again until 2018. 5) There is still discussion about whether private ambulances can use Opticom. 6) Is TRU the committee to work with hospitals on writing a policy for diversion?
- 5. Staff Report Anna Lee Drewry asked for questions on the report. Chair Wright asked Anna Lee to talk about the cost increase with AHA. The cost of the CPR card from AHA has increased from \$5.00 to \$22.00, with additional costs as well. Medic One will offer the compression only classes for citizens, which provides a more positive impact to the cardiac arrest survival rate. Medic One will keep their link to AHA for BLS providers.

# **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

A. <u>EMS Council Action Report</u> – Wright reported: I) The EMSC October meeting was cancelled due to a light agenda. The only item on the agenda was TRPC which will be looked at again, and it looks like a strategic plan may roll out of this for Medic One, and Ops will most likely be asked to participate in the review.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. <u>Medic Vaccinations</u> Anna Lee handed out a list of vaccinations that are currently covered for all ALS and BLS providers. Ops was asked to review and comment if additions are necessary. Staff will verify if Medic One pays for Hep B, for BLS personnel. A vaccination policy is being reviewed and it has been recommended to add a stipulation about reimbursement on the BLS level and ALS level.
- B. <u>TCOMM Reported Calls</u> Staff addressed concern about receiving inconsistent stats when requesting call volumes from the TCOMM system, and it seems to begin with knowing which question to ask, each time. Staff has been encouraged to ask for calls that receive a Medic One number, broken out by ALS vs. BLS. Keith and Jan with TCOMM will meet with Sandra to discuss further.
- C. <u>GEMT Meeting</u> A hand-out was provided to the committee with information about a Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) meeting that took place October 24, 2017. GEMT is a voluntary fiscal program designed to access federal funds in the Medicaid program in order to offset the loss in payment, or gap in reimbursement, for the transport of Medicaid patients. Information can be found at the links included in the hand-out.

VIII. GOOD OF THE ORDER - None

IX. ADJOURNMENT - 3:15 PM